

NRCS-New Mexico - EQIP (Taos Field Office)

FY 2003 Ranking Criteria Worksheet - Woodlands Max Points 145

Applicant: _____ Farm No. _____ Tract No. _____ CMS Field No's. _____ Date: _____

Tribal Land _____ Non-Tribal Land _____ Preliminary Rating ____ Final Rating ____

Category 1. Conservation Practice(s) Selection - 125 Potential Points

Any practice used in the ranking criteria and intended to be included in the EQIP Contract must be a cost-shared practice or have an incentive payment. Higher priority (value) should be given to those practices which address multiple resource concerns, are cost effective, and have longer life spans.	Potential Range Of Points	Percent of Need to be Installed	Points After
The following practices may be used to address soil, water, plant and animal resource concerns.			
Critical Area Planting - 342	5		
Diversion - 362	5		
Firebreak - 394	5		
Forest Site Preparation - 490	5		
Forest Stand Improvement (666) Heavy Density	30		
Forest Stand Improvement (666) Medium Density	20		
Forest Stand Improvement (666) Light Density	15		
Grade Stabilization Structure - 410	5		
Pond - 378	5		
Fence - 382	10		
Wildlife Watering Facility - 648	5		
Riparian Forest Buffer - 391	5		
Water Well - 642	5		
Spring Development - 574	5		
2. Conservation Practice Selection	Total:	N/A	

Category 2. Other Considerations - 20 Potential Points

The following considerations will be evaluated to ensure other environmental impacts/benefits are adequately addressed.	Potential Points	Bench-mark	Points - After
A. At risk species are in the area and the contract will enhance habitat for the species.	5	0	
B. Treatment of this land could have a beneficial impact on a 303d listed stream segment	5	0	
C. Treatment of this land could enhance the benefits of an active or proposed section 319 project	5	0	
D. Proposed contracted area will be treated to eradicate and /or prevent infestation of class A and/or Class B noxious weeds, as designated by NMDA.	5	0	
2. Other Considerations	Total:	0	

	{Add Categories 1&2} Total Ranking Score =	
	Maximum Allowable Points =	145

Designated Conservationist: _____ Date: _____